

GROVE ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

“Our family school where all are equally valued”



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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! I hope that you and your family had a restful holidays! Below are some of the things we are learning this half-term:

Literacy	Maths
<p>Phonics: We will be introducing the children to their initial sounds. The children will begin their daily Read Write Inc. lessons during which they will learn how to form their letters and identify words which have that sound.</p> <p>Writing: The children will have opportunities throughout the environment to write and mark make. The children will have opportunities to discuss their mark making and writing to develop their language.</p> <p>Reading & Comprehension: There will be a range of texts within the environment for the children to read independently – using the pictures to support them telling the story in their own words. The children will have a daily story time session where they will hear a story told to them by an adult.</p>	<p>Number: Number formation Counting to 5 Making 5 in different ways Recognising digits</p> <p>Numerical Patterns: Identifying familiar numbers for example door numbers and ages. Recognising more than and fewer than.</p> <p>Shape, space and measure: Patterns Measuring height and length using non-standards units of measure Identifying 2D shapes and manipulating these to create structures.</p>
Communication & Language	Personal, Social & Emotional Development
<p>Listening, Attention & Understanding: The children will continue to develop their listening and will be provided opportunities to follow more complex and multi-step instructions. In addition to this the children will be required to listen for more sustained periods of time.</p>	<p>The children will take part in a range of turn taking and team-based activities. We will continue to support the children with waiting their turn whilst regulating their emotions.</p>
Physical Development	Understanding the World
<p>The children will be provided with a range of activities such as hole punching, using pegs, opening locks, threading, cutting and playdough. These activities will help them to develop their fine motor skills and well as strengthen their hand muscles which are vital for writing.</p>	<p>The child will learn about what the Earth was like when the dinosaurs were alive. We will look at fossils and how palaeontologists use these to learn about what dinosaurs looked like. We will also find out what happened to the dinosaurs and why there are no more roaming the Earth.</p>

Expressive Arts & Design	Additional Information
<p>The children will experiment with colour mixing and learn what happens when we mix different colours together.</p> <p>We will also explore how we can use different tools to make different marks and texture within our work.</p>	<p>The children will also be attending the Library on a Thursday to select and choose their own book.</p> <p>In addition to this, will be starting our Lending Library where the children can take home story bags which contain stories and props.</p>

Attached you will find information about what we be learning in our topic 'What happened to all of the dinosaurs?' Included in this are key knowledge and facts that will be covered as well as a list of key vocabulary and definitions. Please ensure that your children are familiar with these words, including the spellings, as they will be using them throughout their topic.

Please don't hesitate to e-mail me on red@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours Sincerely,
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